

PUBLIC NOTICE

The U.S. Air Force invites the public to review and comment on a proposal for removing contaminated soil at two sites at Air Force Plant 42 (AFP 42) in Palmdale, California. The soil is being addressed as part of an interim removal action under the Air Force's Installation Restoration Program (IRP).

Identified as Sites 4 and 6, these sites are located in the southeast portion of AFP 42 known as the Common Area. The soil removal plan, called the Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW), was prepared by the Air Force and submitted to the California Environmental Protection Agency Department of Toxic Substances Control (Cal-EPA, DTSC). The preferred cleanup alternative is removal of the soil and appropriate off-site disposal.

On August 19, 2004 the Air Force will issue the Draft RAW for Sites 4 and 6. This document will be available for public review through September 18, 2004 at the AFP 42 Information Repositories, located at the Palmdale Public Library, 700 East Palmdale Avenue, Palmdale, California; and at the Lancaster Public Library, 601 West Lancaster Blvd., Lancaster, California.

DTSC determined that the cleanup will not have a negative effect on human health or the environment. DTSC's finding is documented in a Draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This document will be available for review, along with the Draft RAW for Sites 4 and 6, at the Information Repositories as well as the DTSC office at 5796 Corporate Ave, Cypress, California. To review these documents at the DTSC office, call Julie Johnson at (714) 484-5337 to make an appointment. Send comments on the Draft NOE, postmarked, faxed, or



e-mailed by September 18, 2004, to Mr. Tayseer Mahmoud, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Ave., Cypress, CA 90630; email: tmahmoud@dtsc.ca.gov.

The Draft RAW for Sites 4 and 6 will be discussed prior to the regularly scheduled AFP 42 Environmental Restoration Advisory Board (ERAB) meeting on September 1, 2004 at the Park Plaza in Lancaster. The Draft RAW meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by the ERAB meeting. Both meetings are open to the public. Oral and written comments on the Draft RAW will be accepted at the Draft RAW meeting. In addition, written comments on the Draft RAW may be mailed, faxed, or e-mailed by September 18, 2004 to:

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